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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 24, 2002, please enter and consider the following amendments and remarks for this application.

In the Specification

Please amend the specification as follows.

Please replace the paragraph starting at page 11, line 17, with the following rewritten paragraph:

--The carrier medium of a composition of the invention can generally be an aqueous medium such as water, or an organic liquid such as an oil, a surfactant, an alcohol or polyol, an ester, an ether, or an organic or aqueous mixture of any of these. The carrier medium includes high concentrations of non-aqueous, preferably water miscible liquids or soluble solids that act as a freezing point depressant component for the composition. Preferred freezing point depressant